

**Certificate for the approval in accordance with Council Directive
92/65/EEC of an ovine/caprine⁽¹⁾ semen collection centre**

Name and address of semen collection centre	
Owner	
Person in charge	
Name and address of the responsible centre veterinarian	
Name and address of the competent official veterinarian	
I, the undersigned, certify that the ovine/caprine⁽¹⁾ semen collection centre detailed above has been inspected on the basis of the attached check-list and found in compliance with the requirements of Council Directive 92/65/EEC and Commission Decision 2008/.../EC.	
Name and address of the central competent authorities	
I, the undersigned, certify that the ovine/caprine⁽¹⁾ semen collection centre detailed above complies with the animal health requirements for imports into the European Union of ovine/caprine semen laid down in Council Directive 92/65/EEC and Commission Decision 2008/.../EC.	
Approval Date: [dd.mm.yyyy]	
Approval Number assigned to the centre	

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Questionnaire for the approval of ovine/caprine semen collection centres			
Number	Reference	Question	Y = Yes N = No
1. General criteria			
1.1.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Article 17 Paragraph 2 (a) Commission Decision 2008/.../EC Annex I	Is the third country listed in Annex I to Commission Decision 2008/.../EC for export of ovine/caprine semen	
1.2.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Article 12 Paragraph 1 (measures equivalent)	Are the checks at origin carried out equivalent to the requirements laid down in Article 3 of Directive 90/425/EEC	
1.3.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Article 12 Paragraph 2	Are the rules on disease notification established in Directives 90/425/EEC and 92/65/EEC applied	
1.4.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Article 12 Paragraph 4 (measures equivalent)	Are arrangements in place to pre-notify the arrival of a consignment at an approved border inspection post for the checks required in accordance with Council Directive 97/78/EC	
1.5.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Article 12 Paragraph 5	Does the competent authority have the legal power to carry out checks where it is suspected that the provisions governing semen collection centres have not been complied with or there is a doubt as for the health of the animals or the quality of semen	
1.6.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Article 12 Paragraph 6	Are administrative or penal measures available to penalize any infringement of the provisions governing semen collection centres in particular as for the certificates, state of animals, identification and marking of animals and semen and the control of animals and products concerned therefore	
2. Technical conditions to be applied for semen collection centre			
2.1.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph I.1	Is the centre placed under the supervision of a centre veterinarian	
2.2.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph I. 2 (a)	Has the centre lockable animal accommodation which is physically separated from the collection facilities, processing and storing rooms and pastures.	
2.4.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph I. 2 (b)	Has the centre isolation facilities which have no direct communication with the normal animal accommodation	
2.5.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph I. 2 (c)	Has the centre semen collection facilities including a separate room for the cleansing, disinfection and sterilisation of equipment	
2.6.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph I. 2 (d)	Has the centre a processing room separated from collection facilities	
2.7.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph I. 2 (e)	Has the centre a semen storage room	
2.8.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph I. 3	Is the centre so constructed or isolated that contact between animals in the centre and outside livestock is prevented	
2.9.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph I. 4	Can the entire centre, except the office rooms , be readily cleaned and disinfected, or	
2.10.		If not, can the outdoor accommodation facilities be quarantined for a sufficient time	

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3. Health conditions to be applied for semen collection centre			
3.1.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 1	Are only ovine/caprine animals whose semen is to be collected kept on the centre	
3.1.1.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 1	What other species are kept on the centre	
		Solipeds	
		Cloven hoofed animals Pet animals (dog, cat)	
3.1.2.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 1	Do domestic animals other than ovine/caprine animals present any health risk to those animals used for semen collection	
3.2.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 2	Do the records kept on the centre show the following information:	
3.2.1.1.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 2 Indent 1	the species, breed, date of birth and identification of each animal present in the centre	
3.2.1.2.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 2 Indent 2	any movement of animals entering or leaving the centre	
3.2.1.3.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 2 Indent 3	the health history, diagnostic tests and results thereof, treatments and vaccinations carried out on animals kept	
3.2.2.1.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 2 Indent 4	the date of collecting and processing semen	
3.2.2.2.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 2 Indent 5	the destination of semen	
3.2.2.3.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 2 Indent 6	the storage of semen	
3.3.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 3	Is the centre inspected at least once a breeding season by an official veterinarian	
3.4.1.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 4	Is the entry of unauthorised persons prohibited	
3.4.2.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 4	Is the movement of persons registered	
3.5.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 5	Has the staff received adequate training on disinfection and hygiene techniques to prevent the spread of diseases	
3.6.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 6 Indent 2	Is semen collection, processing, storage carried out in premises set aside for these purposes	
3.7.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 6 Indent 3	Are all utensils coming into contact with the semen of the donor animal properly disinfected or sterilized prior to use, or	
		If no, are only new and disposable utensils used which are discarded after use	
3.8.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter III Paragraph (c)	Are all materials used for semen collection, processing, conservation or freezing properly disinfected or sterilized prior to use, or	
		If no, are only new and disposable materials used that are discarded after use	
3.9.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 6 Indent 3	Are the instruments and equipment for natural or artificial insemination strictly separated from instruments and equipment coming into contact with donor or other animals on the centre and the semen	

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3.10.1.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 6 Indent 4	Do products of animal origin such as diluents, additives or extenders used in the processing of the semen present animal health risk to either the animals kept in the centre or other livestock or poultry	
3.10.2.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 6 Indent 4	Have products of animal origin such as diluents, additives or extenders used in the processing of the semen undergone prior treatment to preclude animal health risk	
3.11.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter III Paragraph (b)	Are antibiotics added to the diluent or semen	
3.12.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 6 Indent 5	Had cryogenic agents been used previously for other products of animal origin	
3.13.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 6 Indent 6	Are receptacles for the storage or transport of semen properly disinfected or sterilised, or If no, are only new and disposable receptacles used that are discarded after use	
3.14.1.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter I Paragraph II. 7	Is each individual dose of semen indelibly identified by display of the following data	
3.14.2.		state of origin	
3.14.3.		date of collection	
3.14.4.		the species	
3.14.5.		the breed	
3.14.6.		the identity of the donor animal	
3.14.7.		name and/or registration number of semen collection centre	
3.15.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter III Paragraph (f)	Is frozen semen placed in a sterile liquid nitrogen container which present no risk of contamination to the product	
3.16.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter III Paragraph (g)	Is frozen semen stored in approved conditions for a minimum 30 days period prior to dispatch	
3.17.	92/65/EEC Council Directive Annex D Chapter III Paragraph (h)	Are containers for the storage or transport of semen properly disinfected or sterilised, or If no, are only new and disposable receptacles used that are discarded after use	
4. Health conditions to be applied to ovine/caprine in the semen collection centre			
4.1.		Number of rams in the centre:	
		Number of bucks in the centre:	
4.2.1.	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.	Did they show any clinical sign of disease on the day of admission	
4.2.2.	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.3.1.1	Did they prior to their stay in the quarantine accommodation described in point 4.3	
4.2.2.1	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.3.1.1 79/542/EEC Council Decision Annex I, Part 1, column 6	originate from the territory which has been recognised as officially brucellosis (<i>B. melitensis</i>)-free and have not been kept previously in a holding located on a territory of a lower status, or	
4.2.2.2	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.3.1.1	If no, have they belonged to a holding which has obtained and maintained its officially brucellosis (<i>B. melitensis</i>)-free status in accordance with Annex A to Directive 91/68/EC and have not been kept previously in a holding of a lower status, or	

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4.2.2.3	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.3.1.1	If not, did they originate from a holding, where in respect of brucellosis (<i>B. melitensis</i>) all susceptible animals have been free from clinical or any signs of this disease for the last 12 months, none of the ovine and caprine animals have been vaccinated against this disease, save those vaccinated with Rev. 1 vaccine more than two years ago, and all ovine and caprine animals over six months of age have been subjected to at least two tests ⁽³⁾ , carried out with negative results on samples taken on (date) and on (date) at least six months apart, the latter being within 30 days of entry into the quarantine accommodation, and have not been kept previously in a holding of a lower status	
4.2.3.1	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.3.1.2	Have they, prior to their stay in the quarantine accommodation described in point 4.3, been kept continuously for at least 60 days on a holding where no case of contagious epididymitis (<i>Brucella ovis</i>) has been diagnosed in the last 12 months and ovine animals have undergone during the 60 days prior to their stay in the quarantine accommodation described in point 4.3 a complement fixation test, or any other test with an equivalent documented sensitivity and specificity, to detect contagious epididymitis with result of less than 50 IU/ml	
4.2.3.2	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.3.1.3	Have they, prior to their stay in the quarantine accommodation described in point 4.3, according to the written declaration made by the owner, come from holdings, and been in contact with animals of a holding, in which any of the following diseases have been clinically detected within the stated periods prior to their stay in the quarantine accommodation described in point 4.3.	
4.2.3.2.1	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.3.1.3 (a)	- contagious agalactia of sheep or goats (<i>Mycoplasma agalactiae</i> , <i>Mycoplasma capricolum</i> , <i>Mycoplasma mycoides</i> var. <i>mycoides</i> "large colony"), within the last six months,	
4.2.3.2.2	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.3.1.3 (b)	- paratuberculosis, within the last 12 months,	
4.2.3.2.3	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.3.1.3 (b)	- caseous lymphadenitis, within the last 12 months,	
4.2.3.2.4	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.3.1.3 (c)	- pulmonary adenomatosis, within the last three years; and	
4.2.3.2.5	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.3.1.3 (d)	- Maedi/Visna for sheep or caprine viral arthritis/encephalitis for goats ⁽¹⁾ , <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ within the last three years; • if not, within the last 12 months, and all the infected animals were slaughtered and remaining animals subsequently reacted negatively to two tests carried out at least six months apart. 	
4.2.4	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.3.1.4	Are they included in an official system for notification of diseases mentioned in points 4.2.3.2.1-5	
4.3	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.3.2	Have they satisfied the quarantine isolation period of at least 28 days and within that period, and at least 21 days after being admitted to the quarantine accommodation, have undergone with negative results the tests, carried out by the laboratory approved by the competent authority of the exporting country, for:	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • brucellosis (<i>B. melitensis</i>) in accordance with Annex C to Directive 91/68/EEC; • ovine epididymitis (<i>Brucella ovis</i>), in the case of sheep only, in accordance with Annex D to Directive 91/68/EEC, or any other test with an equivalent documented sensitivity and specificity; • Border disease virus 	
4.4	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.3.3	<p>Have they undergone at least once a year the routine tests with negative results for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • brucellosis (<i>B. melitensis</i>) in accordance with Annex C to Directive 91/68/EEC; • ovine epididymitis (<i>Brucella ovis</i>) in accordance with Annex D to Directive 91/68/EEC, or any other test with an equivalent documented sensitivity and specificity; in the case of sheep only 	
4.5	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.4.1	Did they show any clinical signs of disease on the day the semen was collected	
4.6.	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.4.2	<p>Have they been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months prior to collection of the semen</p> <p>If yes, have they been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease between 7 and 12 months prior to collection, and 5 % (with a minimum of five straws) of each collection have been submitted to a virus isolation test for foot-and-mouth disease with negative result</p>	
4.7	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.4.3.	Have they been kept at an approved semen collection centre for a continuous period of at least 30 days immediately prior to collection of the semen, in the case of collections of fresh semen;	
4.8	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.4.4	Have they served naturally after their entry to the quarantine accommodation described in point 4.3 and up to and including the day of semen collection	
4.9	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.4.5.1	Have they been kept at the approved semen collection centres which have been free from foot-and-mouth disease for at least three months prior to collection of the semen and 30 days after collection or, in the case of fresh semen, until the date of dispatch, and which are situated in the centre of an area of 10 kilometres radius in which there has been no case of foot-and-mouth disease for at least 30 days prior to collection of the semen;	
4.10	2008/ /EC Commission Decision Annex II, Part II.4.5.2	Have they been kept at the approved semen collection centres which have been free, during the period commencing 30 days prior to collection and ending 30 days after collection of the semen or, in the case of fresh semen, until the date of dispatch, from brucellosis (<i>B. melitensis</i>), contagious epididymitis (<i>B. ovis</i>), anthrax and rabies.	

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